

RECEIVED 001/010
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
MAR 24 2005

**Molecular Imprints, Inc.**

Legal Department
P.O. Box 81536
Austin, Texas 78708-1536

Telephone: (512) 339-7760
Facsimile: (512) 491-8918
kbrooks@militho.com

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO: Examiner (unassigned)
Group Art Unit 1762

FROM: Kenneth C. Brooks
Reg. No. 38,393

COMPANY:
United States Patent and Trademark Office

DATE:
March 24, 2005

FAX NUMBER:
703-872-9306

TOTAL NO. OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER:
10

RE:

Information Disclosure Statement
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/776,881
Filing Date: 02/11/2004
Entitled: APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING NANOSCALE PATTERNS IN LIGHT CURABLE
COMPOSITIONS USING AN ELECTRIC FIELD
Our Ref. No.: PA84-26D27

Please see attached:

Information Disclosure Statement (2 pg(s)) with
Form PTO/SB/08A (7 pg(s))

KCB:kep

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FACSIMILE MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL USE OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT(S) NAMED ABOVE. THIS MESSAGE MAY BE AN ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION, AND AS SUCH IS PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL. IF THE READER OF THIS MESSAGE IS NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT OR AN AGENT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING IT TO THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS DOCUMENT IN ERROR AND THAT ANY REVIEW, DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION OR COPYING OF THIS MESSAGE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS COMMUNICATION IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AND RETURN THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE TO US BY MAIL. THANK YOU.

MAR 24 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor: Willson, Carlton Grant
App. No.: 10/776,881 GPAU: 1762
Filing Date: February 11, 2004 Examiner: (unassigned)
Dkt. No.: PA84-26D27 Conf. No.: 3386
For: APPARATUS FOR FABRICATING NANOSCALE PATTERNS IN LIGHT
CURABLE COMPOSITIONS USING AN ELECTRIC FIELD

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following information is submitted in compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97 and § 1.98. The undersigned brings the patents, publications, applications or other information identified in the attached:

☒ Form(s) PTO/SB/08A and/or PTO/SB/08B or PTO/1449

☐ Other:

to the Examiner's attention in the above-identified application. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

For the convenience of the Examiner, the references that were cited in the parent patent application are noted in bold.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed:

before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits or before the mailing date of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Therefore, no fee is believed required.

Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due, but if the Commissioner believes additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 502650.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as either First Class Mail or Express Mail, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents.

Signed: Katrina Prati
Typed Name: Katrina Prati
Date: 3-24-05

Respectfully Submitted,



Kenneth C. Brooks,
Reg. No. 38,393
Legal Department
Molecular Imprints, Inc.
P.O. Box 81536
Austin, TX 78758-1536
(512) 339-7760
(512) 491-8918 (fax)

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete if Known	
				APPLICATION NUMBER	10/776,881
				FILING DATE	02/11/2004
				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	Willson et al.
				Group Art Unit	1762
				Examiner Name	Unassigned
				Attorney Docket Number	PAB4-26D27
Sheet	1	of	7		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	C1	4,731,155		Napoli et al.	3/15/1988	
	C2	5,425,848		Halsma et al.	6/20/1995	
	C3	5,772,905		Chou	6/30/1998	
	C4	6,309,580	B1	Chou	10/30/2001	
	C5	6,334,960	B1	Willson et al.	1/1/2002	
	C6	6,517,977	B2	Resnick et al.	2/11/2003	
	C7	6,696,220	B2	Bailey et al.	2/24/2004	
	C8	2004/0007799	A1	Choi et al.	1/15/2004	
	C9	2004/0021254	A1	Sreenivasan et al.	2/5/2004	
	C10	2004/0021866	A1	Watts et al.	2/5/2004	
	C11	2004/0022888	A1	Sreenivasan et al.	2/5/2004	
	C12	2002/0177319	A1	Chou	11/28/2002	
	C13	2003/0215577	A1	Willson et al.	11/20/2003	
	C14	2004/0008334	A1	Sreenivasan et al.	1/15/2004	
	C15	2004/0009673	A1	Sreenivasan et al.	1/15/2004	
	C16	2004/0124566	A1	Sreenivasan et al.	7/1/2004	
	C17	6,646,662	B1	Nebashi et al.	11/11/2003	
	C18	6,778,094	B1	Whitesides et al.	8/17/2004	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
---------------------------	--	------------------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				APPLICATION NUMBER	10/776,881	
				FILING DATE	02/11/2004	
				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	Willson et al.	
				Group Art Unit	1762	
				Examiner Name	Unassigned	
Attorney Docket Number	PA84-26D27					
Sheet	2	of	7			

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)			
	C19	6,518,189	B1	Chou	2/11/2003	
	C20	2002/0132482	A1	Chou	9/19/2002	
	C21	2002/0167117	A1	Chou	11/14/2002	
	C22	6,482,742	B1	Chou	11/19/2002	
	C23	2003/0080471	A1	Chou	5/1/2003	
	C24	2004/0036201	A1	Chou et al.	2/26/2004	
	C25	2004/0192041	A1	Jeong et al.	9/30/2004	
	C26	6,828,244	B2	Chou	12/7/2004	
	C27	6,809,356	B2	Chou	10/26/2004	
	C28	2004/0197843	A1	Chou et al.	10/7/2004	
	C29	2004/0156108	A1	Chou et al.	8/12/2004	
	C30	2004/0137734	A1	Chou et al.	7/15/2004	
	C31	2004/0131718	A1	Chou et al.	7/8/2004	
	C32	2004/0118809	A1	Chou et al.	6/24/2004	
	C33	2004/0046288	A1	Chou	3/11/2004	
	C34	2003/0080472	A1	Chou	5/1/2003	
	C35	2003/0034329	A1	Chou	2/20/2003	
	C36	2002/0042027	A1	Chou et al.	4/11/2002	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
---------------------------	--	------------------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

PAGE 6/10 * RCVD AT 3/24/2005 5:55:12 PM [Eastern Standard Time] * SVR:USPTO-EFXRF-1/2 * DNIS:8729306 * CSID:5124918918 * DURATION (mm:ss):03:32

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				APPLICATION NUMBER		10/776,881
				FILING DATE		02/11/2004
				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR		Willson et al.
				Group Art Unit		1762
				Examiner Name		Unassigned
Attorney Docket Number		PA84-26D27				
Sheet	4	of	7			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document		Kind Code ³ (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁴
		Office	Number ²					
	C47	JP	02-92603		Kurikawa et al.	4/3/1990		
	C48	JP	02-24848		Kamio	1/26/1990		
	C49	WO	01/47003		Steiner et al.	6/28/2001		
	C50	WO	02/07199		Chou	1/24/2002		
	C51	WO	2004/114016		Chou et al.	12/29/2004		
	C52	WO	99/05724		Chou et al.	2/4/1999		
	C53	WO	03/010289		Chou et al.	2/6/2003		
	C54	WO	03/079416		Chou	9/25/2003		
	C55	WO	03/099536		Chou et al.	12/4/2003		

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				APPLICATION NUMBER	10/776,881
				FILING DATE	02/11/2004
(use as many sheets as necessary)				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	Willson et al.
				Group Art Unit	1762
Sheet	5	of	7	Examiner Name	Unassigned
				Attorney Docket Number	PA84-26D27

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²

	C56	Chou, Nanoimprint Lithography and Lithographically Induced Self-Assembly, MRS Bulletin, pp. 512 - 517, 7/1/2001	
	C57	Choi et al., Design of Orientation Stages for Step and Flash Imprint Lithography, Precision Engineering, pp. 192 - 199, 1/1/2001	
	C58	Colburn et al., Step and Flash Imprint Lithography for sub-100 nm Patterning, Proceedings of SPIE Vol. 3997, pp. 453 - 457, 1/1/2000	
	C59	Chou et al., Imprint Lithography with 25-Nanometer Resolution, Science Vol. 272, pp. 85 - 87, 4/5/1996	
	C60	Chou et al., Imprint Lithography with Sub-10 nm Feature Size and High Throughput, Microelectronic Engineering 35, pp. 237 - 240, 1/1/1997	
	C61	Haisma et al., Mold-assisted Nanolithography: A Process for Reliable Pattern Replication, J. Vac. Sci. Technol. B, pp 4124 - 4128, 11/1/1996	
	C62	Chou et al., Imprint of Sub-25 nm Vias and Trenches in Polymers, Appl. Phys. Lett. 67 (21), 11/20/1995	
	C63	Johnson et al., Advances in Step and Flash Imprint Lithography, SPIE Microlithography Conference, 2/23/2003	
	C64	Chou et al., Lithographically Induced Self-assembly of Periodic Polymer Micropillar Arrays, J. Vac. Sci. Technol. B 17 (6), pp. 3197 - 3202, 11/1/1999	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				APPLICATION NUMBER	10/776,881
				FILING DATE	02/11/2004
				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	Willson et al.
				Group Art Unit	1762
				Examiner Name	Unassigned
Sheet	6	of	7	Attorney Docket Number	PA84-26D27

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²

	C65	Colburn et al., Step and Flash Imprint Lithography: A New Approach to High-Resolution Patterning, Proc. Of SPIE, vol. 3676, 3/1/1999	
	C66	Heidari, Nanoimprint Lithography at the 6 in. Wafer Scale, J. Vac. Sci. Technol. B 18(6), pp. 3557 - 3560, 11/1/2000	
	C67	Translation of Japanese Patent 02-92603	
	C68	Translation of Japanese Patent 02-24848	
	C69	Chou et al., Ultrafast and Direct Imprint of Nanostructures in Silicon, Nature, Vol. 417, (June 2002), pp. 835-837, 6/1/2002	
	C70	Chou et al., Nanoimprint Lithography, Journal of Vacuum Science Technology B 14(16), pp. 4129-4133, 11/1/1996	
	C71	Colburn et al., Development and Advantages of Step-and-Flash Lithography, Solid State Technology, 7/1/2001	
	C72	Colburn et al., Characterization and Modeling of Volumetric and Mechanical Properties for Step and Flash Imprint Lithography Photopolymers, Journal of Vacuum Science Technology. Vol b. 19(6), 11/1/2001	
	C73	Bailey et al., Step and Flash Imprint Lithography: Defect Analysis, Journal of Vacuum Science, B 19(6), pp. 2806-2810, 11/1/2001	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-------------------------------	--	----------------------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(use as many sheets as necessary)</i>				Complete if Known	
				APPLICATION NUMBER	10/776,881
				FILING DATE	02/11/2004
				FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	Willson et al.
				Group Art Unit	1762
				Examiner Name	Unassigned
				Attorney Docket Number	PA84-26D27
Sheet	7	of	7		

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
--------------------	-----------------------	---	----------------

	C74	Bailey et al., Step and Flash Imprint Lithography: Template Surface Treatment and Defect Analysis, Journal of Vacuum Science, B 18(6), pp. 3572-3577, 11/1/2000	
	C75	Schneider et al., Stripes of Partially Fluorinated Alkyl Chains: Dipolar Langmuir Monolayers	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending on the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.